

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 10 and 11 as follows:

Accordingly, the figure shows parts of a surface element 1 which includes an upper decorative layer 2, edges 3 (shown as a tongue 3' and a groove 3'') intended for joining, a lower side 4 and a supporting core 5. The process is initiated by manufacturing a supporting core 5 with a desired format and edges 3 intended for joining. The supporting core 5 is further provided with an upper side 1' suited for printing and a lower side 4. The upper side 1' of the supporting core 5 is then provided with a decor 2' by printing, utilising an ink-jet printer. The decor 2' is oriented after a predetermined fixing point on the supporting core 5. The upper side 1' of the supporting core 5 is then provided with a protecting translucent wear layer 2'' through curtain coating. The supporting core 5 is constituted by particle board or fibre board. The translucent wear layer 2'' is constituted by a UV-curing acrylic lacquer which is applied in several steps with intermediate curing, of which the last one is a complete curing while the earlier ones are only partial curing. The wear layer 2'' also includes hard particles of  $\alpha$ -aluminium oxide with an average particle size in the range ~~0,5~~ 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$ -150  $\mu\text{m}$ .